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**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Lihua Huang, *et al.* )  
Serial No. : 10/670,628 )  
Filed : September 25, 2003 )  
For : HUMAN PROTEIN C POLYPEPTIDE )  
Docket No. : X12279A )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**Introductory Comments**

Please amend the accompanying application as follows: